

Wednesday, December 23, 2020

Luke H. Abrusley
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**Re: Louisiana Board of Ethics
Docket No. 2020-812**

Dear Mr. Abrusley:

The Louisiana Board of Ethics ("Board"), at its January 8, 2021 meeting, considered your request for an advisory opinion as to whether the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit your company (LHA Rentals Oberlin, LLC) from purchasing property and continuing a lease to the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services after he resigned from the Allen Parish District Attorney's Office.

FACTS PROVIDED

You are currently an Assistant District Attorney in Allen Parish and have served in that role since May 2009. You prosecute the Juvenile Delinquency Docket and assist in matters concerning the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services. You will be resigning from that position on December 31, 2020, in order to commence your term as City Judge in Oakdale, Louisiana.

You are also the sole owner of various limited liability companies, including LHA Rentals Oberlin, LLC. As the sole owner of LHA Rentals Oberlin, LLC, you have agreed to purchase a building that is currently leased to the Louisiana Department of Social Services. You wish to purchase the property after you resign from the District Attorney's Office and continue the lease with the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services.

CONCLUSION

The Board concluded, and instructed me to inform you, that based on the facts presented, the Code will not prohibit you, through LHA Rentals Oberlin, LLC, from purchasing the building and continuing the lease with the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services.

This advisory opinion is based solely on the facts as set forth herein. Changes to the facts as presented may result in a different application of the provisions of the Code of Governmental

Ethics. The Board issues no opinion as to past conduct or as to laws other than the Code of Governmental Ethics, the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act, the Lobbyist Disclosure Act, and conflict of interest provisions in the gaming laws. If you have any questions, please contact me at (800) 842-6630 or (225) 219-5600.

Sincerely,
LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS

LaToya D. Jordan
For the Board

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